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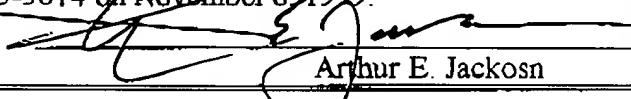
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Chisari, et. al.
Serial No.: 08/854,825 Art Unit: 1648
Filing Date: May 12, 1997 Examiner: Parkin
Entitled: Hepatitis C Virus-Derived Peptides Capable of Inducing Cytotoxic T
Lymphocyte Responses
Docket No. 329368-101A

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CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA) REQUEST TRANSMITTAL

This is a request for a

- continuation application
 divisional application

under 37 CFR 1.53(d) (continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application). The particulars of the prior application are:

Application Serial No.: 08/854,825

Filed On: May 12, 1997

Entitled: Hepatitis C Virus-Derived Peptides Capable of Inducing Cytotoxic T
Lymphocyte Responses

Name of applicant(s) (as originally filed or last amended):

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The above application is either a non-provisional application that is either (1) complete as defined by 37 CFR 1.51(b) and filed on or after June 8, 1995 or (2) the national stage of an international application in compliance with 35 U.S.C. §371 and filed on or after June 8, 1995.

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The above-identified application, in which no payment of issue fee, abandonment of, or termination or proceedings has occurred, is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application. Please use all the contents of the prior application file wrapper, including the drawings, as the basic papers for the new application.

It is understood that secrecy under 35 U.S.C. 122 is hereby waived to the extent that if information or access is available to any one of the applications in the file wrapper of a 37 CFR 1.62 application, be it in either this application or a prior application in the same file wrapper, the PTO may provide similar information or access to all the other applications in the same file wrapper.

This application discloses and claims only subject matter disclosed in the prior application whose particulars are set out above.

1. Please enter the previously unentered Amendment filed on _____ under 37 CFR 1.116 in the prior non-provisional application.
2. A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
3. This application is being filed with less than all the inventors named in the prior application. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.53(d), the Assistant Commissioner is requested to delete the names of the following persons who were named as inventors in the prior application but are not inventors of the invention being claimed in this application:
4. A new power of attorney is enclosed.
5. An information disclosure statement is enclosed:
 Form PTO/SB/08A and 08B (Formerly Form PTO-1449)
 Copies of IDS citations.

6. The correspondence address

- remains the same as in the prior Application
 should be revised to recite:

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7. To maintenance copendency of the prior Application:

A Notice of Appeal was mailed June 9, 1999. Applicants' representative thereafter sought to learn the receipt date of that Notice. It is from the receipt date that the due date for filing an Appeal Brief is calculated. MPEP 1206. Applicants' representative learned that the Office had not received the Notice, and therefore transmitted a copy of the Notice by Telecopier on August 6, 1999. Accordingly, the receipt date was August 6, 1999, and the unextended due date for the Appeal Brief was October 6, 1999. With the One-month extension of time submitted herewith, this Continued Prosecution Application is timely filed during the co-pendency of the predecessor application on the first Monday following Saturday, November 6, 1999.

Accordingly:

- (a) Applicant hereby petitions as a
 Large Entity
 Small Entity

for an Extension of Time in the prior application of

- one month
 two months
 three months
 four months
 five months.

- (b) should any further extension period not addressed in paragraph 9(a) above, be required to maintain copendency with the prior application, please consider a Petition for such additional extension period to have hereby been made.
- (c) Please charge the fee required for the extension of time to Deposit Account No. 04-0480.

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- no filing fee is submitted at this time
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Respectfully submitted,

Date: November 8, 1999


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